

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Upon entry of the above amendments claims 1-2, 4-7, 9-10, 14-18 and 24-34, as amended, will be pending. New claims 30-34 have been added to more distinctly claim the Applicants' invention. No new matter has been added.

Pursuant to the Examiner's request to elect a species under 35 U.S.C. § 121, the applicants elect 3-(3,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-acrylic acid methyl ester. Claims 24, 26, 27 and 30-33 read on this species.

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney for Applicants at the telephone number indicated below in order to expeditiously resolve any issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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